

**THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA  
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE  
MINUTES**

**PWC 7-2020  
Tuesday, August 4, 2020  
Council Chamber/Teleconference  
Niagara Region Headquarters, Campbell West  
1815 Sir Isaac Brock Way, Thorold, ON**

Committee Members Present in the Council Chamber: Rigby (Committee Chair)

Committee Members Present via Teleconference: Bradley (Regional Chair), Diodati, Disero, Edgar (Committee Vice-Chair), Fertich, Foster, Gale, Heit, Insinna, Ip , Junkin, Nicholson, Sendzik, Steele, Ugulini, Witteveen

Absent/Regrets: Chiocchio, Zalepa

Staff Present in the Council Chamber: S. Guglielmi, Technology Support Analyst, A.-M. Norio, Regional Clerk, R. Tripp, Acting Chief Administrative Officer, B. Zvaniga, Interim Commissioner, Public Works

Staff Present via Teleconference: E. Amirault, Associate Director, Finance Operations & Systems, K. Ashbridge, Waste Management Contract Supervisor, T. Byrne, Procurement Manager, C. Habermebl, Director, Waste Management Services, T. Harrison, Commissioner/Treasurer, Corporate Services, M. Robinson, Director, GO Implementation Office, C. Ryall, Director, Transportation Services, S.Tait, Manager, Waste Collection & Diversion, J. Tonellato, Director, Water & Wastewater Services

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Committee Chair Rigby called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

**2. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

**3. PRESENTATIONS**

There were no presentations.

4. **DELEGATIONS**

There were no delegations.

5. **ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

5.1 **PW 34-2020**

Solid Waste Management By-law Update

Kate Ashbridge, Contract Supervisor, Waste Management, provided information respecting Solid Waste Management By-law Update. Topics of the presentation included:

- Background
- Collection Changes - October 19
- Container Specifications and Collection Locations
- Additional Updates
- Definitions
- Education, Enforcement and Orders
- Next Steps

Moved by Councillor Witteveen  
Seconded by Councillor Ip

That Report PW 34-2020, dated August 4, 2020, respecting Solid Waste Management By-law Update, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

1. That the Solid Waste Management By-law No. 2017-56 as amended, **BE AMENDED** to reflect the by-law updates outlined in Appendix 1 to Report PW 34-2020;
2. That the proposed Short Form Offences and Set Fines Schedule, attached as Appendix 2 to Report PW 34-2020, **BE FORWARDED** to the Chief Justice of the Ontario Court (Provincial Division) for approval, as required under the Provincial Offences Act and upon approval, including any changes by the Chief Justice, the Short Form Offences and Set Fines Schedule become enforceable under the updated By-law; and
3. That a copy of the amended By-law and Report PW 34-2020 **BE FORWARDED** to the local area municipalities for information.

The following friendly **amendment** was accepted by the Committee Chair, and the mover and seconder of the motion:

That Appendix 2 of Report PW 34-2020 being the Proposed Revisions to Short Form Offences and Set Fines **BE AMENDED** to increase the set fine amount for illegal dumping from \$500.00 to \$1000.00 (Item #30).

The Committee Chair called the vote on the motion as amended, as follows:

That Report PW 34-2020, dated August 4, 2020, respecting Solid Waste Management By-law Update, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

1. That the Solid Waste Management By-law No. 2017-56 as amended, **BE AMENDED** to reflect the by-law updates outlined in Appendix 1 to Report PW 34-2020;
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3. That a copy of the amended By-law and Report PW 34-2020 **BE FORWARDED** to the local area municipalities for information.

**Carried**

## 5.2 PW 35-2020

Reprioritization of Capital Project Funds for Recycling Centre Facility Improvements

Moved by Councillor Diodati  
Seconded by Councillor Steele

That Report PW 35-2020, dated August 4, 2020, respecting Reprioritization of Capital Project Funds for Recycling Centre Facility Improvements, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendation **BE APPROVED**:

1. That a new capital project for a container line drum feeder in the amount of \$450,000 **BE APPROVED** and **BE FUNDED** from the Waste Management Capital Variance Project.

Recorded Vote:

Yes: (13) Bradley, Diodati, Disero, Edgar, Foster, Heit, Ip, Junkin, Rigby, Sendzik, Steele, Ugulini, Witteveen.

No: (4) Fertich, Gale, Insinna, Nicholson.

**Carried**

5.3 PW 7-2020

Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) Memorial Signage

Moved by Councillor Foster

Seconded by Councillor Nicholson

That Report PW 7-2020, dated August 4, 2020, respecting Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) Memorial Signage, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

1. That Council **APPROVE** the installation of one MADD Canada Memorial sign as requested by the family of the victim at the location of Regional Road 70 (Taylor Road) and Regional Road 101 (Mountain Road) in the City of Niagara Falls, as a one time request; subject to the applicant providing all of the required supporting documentation outlined in the Ministry of Transportation, Ontario policy document;
2. That Council **APPROVE** the installation of the sign duration to a maximum of two years or until such time the sign needs to be removed; and
3. That Council **BE INFORMED** that staff, as part of the Vision Zero Road Safety Program, will be presenting a policy outlining operational guidelines for safety and educational platforms inclusive of future non-regulatory signage requests.

Moved by Councillor Ip

Seconded by Councillor Fertich

That Clause 2 **BE AMENDED** to read as follows:

2. That Council **APPROVE** the installation of the sign duration to a maximum of ~~two~~ **five** years or until such time the sign needs to be removed.

Recorded Vote:

Yes: (5) Diodati, Fertich, Ip, Nicholson, Steele.

No: (10) Bradley, Disero, Foster, Gale, Heit, Insinna, Junkin, Rigby, Ugulini, Witteveen.

**Defeated**

The Committee Chair called the vote on the motion as follows:

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1. That Council **APPROVE** the installation of one MADD Canada Memorial sign as requested by the family of the victim at the location of Regional Road 70 (Taylor Road) and Regional Road 101 (Mountain Road) in the City of Niagara Falls, as a one time request; subject to the applicant providing all of the required supporting documentation outlined in the Ministry of Transportation, Ontario policy document;
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3. That Council **BE INFORMED** that staff, as part of the Vision Zero Road Safety Program, will be presenting a policy outlining operational guidelines for safety and educational platforms inclusive of future non-regulatory signage requests.

**Carried**

**6. CONSENT ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

**6.1 PWC-C 27-2020**

COVID-19 Response and Business Continuity in Public Works

Moved by Councillor Witteveen

Seconded by Councillor Steele

That Correspondence Item PWC-C 27-2020, being a memorandum from B. Zvaniga, Interim Commissioner, Public Works, dated August 4, 2020, respecting COVID-19 Response and Business Continuity in Public Works, **BE RECEIVED** for information.

**Carried**

**7. OTHER BUSINESS**

**7.1 Waste Collection in Lincoln**

Councillor Foster offered his thanks to Waste Management staff for the recent improvement in waste collection in Lincoln.

**7.2 Closure of Regional Road 81 (King Street) Town of Lincoln**

Councillor Foster raised concerns with respect to the closure of Regional Road 81 (King Street) in the Town of Lincoln east of Jordan Road and its impact on local businesses along this route. Carolyn Ryall, Director, Transportation Services, advised that the closure was necessary to facilitate the removal and construction of a new culvert structure crossing Eighteen Mile Creek. She noted the concerns with undertaking this work during the tourist season; however, that due to permit requirements and considerations for species in Eighteen Mile Creek, this was the only time the work could be completed. Ms. Ryall advised that access to businesses was being allowed and that staff were working extensively with affected businesses to communicate the road closure and provide detour route information.

**7.3 On Demand Transit**

Councillor Fertich enquired if there would be a formal ceremony to highlight the start of the On Demand Transit pilot on August 17, 2020. Matt Robinson, Director, GO Implementation Office, advised that the transit vehicles are due to be delivered the week of August 10 and that discussions are being undertaken with the municipalities of Grimsby, Lincoln, and Pelham to determine options for a kick-off to the pilot. He noted that once plans were finalized Regional Councillors of the respective municipalities would be notified and a memorandum issued to all of Regional Council on the Councillor Weekly Correspondence Distribution.

**8. NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 8, 2020, at 9:30 a.m. in the Council Chamber, Regional Headquarters.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

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Councillor Rigby  
Committee Chair

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Ann-Marie Norio  
Regional Clerk